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Applicant:

Palumbo et al.

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SUBSEQUENT REACTIONS

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 16, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

## **AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-4, 26-29, and 36-37 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows: